



What's up at NOAA?

NOAA legal staff books a Philadelphia hotel for a three-day gathering but no one's saying why. Story, 3A



Asbestos removal

County officials expect the asbestos found at the Marathon courthouse to be removed by the end of this week. Story, 2A

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INSURANCE

Citizens starts policy drop

By **TOLUSE OLORUNNIPA**
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Citizens Property Insurance Corp. has some new ambitious goals: Move as many as 678,000 policyholders out of state-run insurance and once again become the insurer of last resort.

Its strategy: Enact a flurry of policy changes that will undoubtedly raise premiums

and reduce coverage for thousands.

In the Florida Keys, the new rules have already made it impossible for builders to obtain risk insurance for new construction, according to Annalise Mannix, executive director of Fair Insurance Rates in Monroe.

FIRM hopes to meet with the state Cabinet May 8 when it meets at Stanley Switlik

Insurer of last resort makes it tougher to obtain, retain coverage

Elementary School in Marathon. It marks the first time the state's full Cabinet has held a meeting in the Keys.

As of Tuesday, Citizens' new get-tough rules removed any limits on rates for new policies, which experts say means policyholders new to

Citizens could pay as much as 50 percent more than existing customers for similar coverage.

"This is outrageous," Mannix said. "By new policies, they mean the person who wants to buy my house and then finds out they can't afford to because of the high

cost of insurance. This just kills our economy."

Citizens, which unveiled its aggressive "depopulation" plan this month in a revised budget proposal, says it is doing so to prevent statewide financial havoc in the wake of a major hurricane.

"Citizens has the ability to levy assessments [hurricane taxes] on almost all Florida policyholders in the event of

a deficit after a storm," spokeswoman Christine Ashburn said. "The long-term goal will continue to be returning policies to the private market, which is ultimately how we can reduce the reliance on assessments."

Some homeowners have already been impacted by the first wave of Citizens' cam-

• See Citizens, 2A

CRIME FRONT

Schools tour brings out cops

Visitors show up on campuses, no one says why

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At least four people who said they are teachers from Italy who decided to take a tour of Florida Keys schools the past two weeks raised so much suspicion that the FBI was called in to investigate.

But Tuesday, officials said they "posed no threat and were there for a legitimate purpose."

What exactly that purpose is, no one is saying. The Monroe County Sheriff's Office referred questions to the FBI, which declined comment. However, Sheriff's Office Col. Rick Ramsay said they were identified and interviewed in Miami, where they apparently live.

Two men showed up at Marathon Middle/High School on April 24 saying they are teachers from Italy. They showed up at Horace O'Bryant Middle School in Key West the next day.

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KEYS WEATHER

Drenching rain not stopping yet

Keys are soaked since Saturday, showers ongoing

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Don't look for the rains that have soaked the Keys since the weekend to end today or Thursday.

A pair of low-pressure systems are to blame for the significant rainfall, according to the National Weather Service in Key West.

"Normally in April and May, usually the Caribbean has high pressure and a lot of dry air. It tends to be for the most part dry and warmer, but this time we had some moisture and the weather systems were moving very slowly," Warning and Coordination Meteorologist Jon Rizzo said.

Rizzo said huge rainfalls are "very infrequent this time of year," but that strong southeast winds steered storms over the same path

• See Weather, 2A

BEST IN THE STATE



Photo by BERT BUDDÉ

Key West High track stars Clive Georges and Lindsay Cowpland show the medals they won at Saturday's Class 2 state track meet in Jacksonville. Georges ran the 400-meter dash faster than anyone else and took home the gold. Story, 1B

FLORIDA KEYS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

New day for Keys college

Contract talks are ongoing for chosen president

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With contract negotiations ongoing, Jonathan Gueverra is prepping to leave the nation's capital to lead Florida Keys Community College, where he was tapped Saturday to be the institution's sixth president.

Gueverra, now chief executive officer of the University of the District of Columbia Community College, wowed the five-member college



GUEVERRA

Friday by an hour-long town-hall meeting in which he fielded questions from college staff and others.

Gueverra, 53, is a native of Trinidad and Tobago in the Caribbean. He has master's and doctorate degrees from the University of Massachusetts-Boston and undergraduate degrees from Providence (R.I.) College and Newbury

College in Boston.

He has been married for 30 years and has two grown daughters and a 13-year-old son.

Gueverra beat out two other semifinalists, culled from an initial pool of 43 applicants: George Bishop, vice president for academic affairs and learning support at Gulf Coast State College in Panama City, and Allen Witt, president of the South Shore campus of Hillsborough Community College.

At the D.C. college, Gueverra oversees around 6,000 students, more than half working through non-credit training programs. For the spring semester this year,

FKCC has around 360 full-time students.

Much of his charge here will be expanding enrollment, and he sees doing that by attracting out-of-state and international students by leveraging unique assets like the dive and marine science programs.

Gueverra said he's worked in the past with on-campus housing and will be able to apply that experience to FKCC's fledgling Lagoon Landing; the 100-bed dorm has been open since August and is running at less than 70 percent occupancy.

"That is nothing new to

• See President, 2A

BOOT KEY DOLPHINS



Photo by JOHN SPAIN

A pod of dolphins takes a side trip from the Atlantic Ocean to visit Boot Key Harbor in Marathon on April 23. Dolphins aren't prevalent in the harbor but they're not exactly rare there, either.

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Hopes of advancement

The Island Christian School baseball team hopes to advance in Thursday's regional playoff game. Story, 1B

The next level

The Lady Hurricanes see their lacrosse season end, but star Cami Lopez signs a scholarship to play for Stetson. Story, 1B



NEWS BRIEFS

Keys man dies when struck by autos

A Key West man who was struck and killed by "multiple vehicles" early Saturday morning became the Keys' 12th traffic fatality of the year.

The Florida Highway Patrol says Aldo Pena, 75, was crossing U.S. 1 at mile marker 8 around 2 a.m. when it happened. The only driver troopers identified is Aleeaha Appleby, 48, of Key West.

The FHP is asking the public for help in identifying other autos that might have struck Pena. The phone number in Marathon is 289-2600.

KEYS WEATHER

PREDICTED TEMPERATURES

DAY	HIGH	LOW
WED.	84	75
THURS.	86	76
FRI.	86	75
SAT.	86	74

Forecast: Expect cloudy conditions with a chance of showers.

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BEACH ADVISORIES

The Monroe County Health Department tests Keys beaches twice weekly for the presence of enteric bacteria. There currently are no beaches with health advisories against swimming.



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Enrollment a big priority

From President, 1A

me. It's an exciting time and it comes with some challenges but the challenges don't outweigh the benefits," he said. "You have the students there 24 hours. You have opportunities to do extracurricular and co-curricular programming. As a result, you very well will end up with more successful students."

Current FKCC President Larry Tyree is retiring on or before July 1.

"The contract is still being negotiated," she said Tuesday. Gueverra "may come a little bit earlier. It'll be on or before July 1."

Don't put away rain gear yet

From Weather, 1A

over and over again.

"We're seeing more sunshine [Tuesday] but we still have numerous showers and it'll take a couple days [to clear up]. The winds will settle down again, too," he said.

Rizzo compiled three-day totals up and down the Keys through noon Tuesday and found the Middle and Upper Keys got the wettest. Heavy rainfall began Saturday afternoon in Key Largo.

"The biggest total was from Dolphin Cove and that was 8.92 inches from Saturday until noon" Tuesday, Rizzo said of the mile marker 102 attraction.

A weather beacon just off the coast near mile marker 111 showed 8.46 inches of rainfall during the same period.

Rizzo said the second heaviest rainfall was found in Marathon, with totals ranging from just more than 6 inches at Florida Keys Marathon Airport to almost 8 inches at Curry

In 2009 he became the first-ever president and chief executive of the Community College of the District of Columbia, then in its first year of operation as an offshoot of the University of the District of Columbia, a four-year college.

Gueverra's salary at FKCC has not been finalized although it was advertised not to exceed \$180,000. Tyree, before he voluntarily gave up half his salary in summer 2011 to help mitigate a budget shortfall, earned \$216,000 including a housing allowance and vehicle and cell phone stipends.

Hammock State Park.

Rizzo said the Lower Keys were mostly spared, with Ramrod and Cudjoe keys gathering just 1.1 inches of rain from Saturday through Tuesday. Key West had just below 3 inches, he said.

A weather beacon just off the coast near mile marker 111 showed 8.46 inches of rainfall.

Showers remain likely today, with possible thunderstorms during the day. Winds will remain out of the east at 15 mph.

Winds remain high Thursday, but the chance of rain drops to just 30 percent. Friday and Saturday are expected to be mostly sunny, with highs near 86 degrees and only 20 percent chance of rain.

MARATHON



Keynoter photo by RYAN McCARTHY

The courthouse at mile marker 48.5 oceanside is encased in plastic while the asbestos is removed.

Asbestos removal starts at courthouse

Official says it may be done end of week

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A \$165,000 project to remove mold and asbestos from the Marathon courthouse is nearing completion.

Monroe County Project Management Director Jerry Barnett said the main courthouse building was taped off on April 10 and workers began removing asbestos-containing materials a week later.

The county was in the midst of a roughly \$900,000 project to replace a dated trailer and make numerous refurbishments to the courthouse when the mold and asbestos were found. Construction halted Dec. 27 and the county approved the asbestos removal in January.

"They should be wrapping the asbestos-containing material removal up this week ... and be able to get restarted with the renovation that was

interrupted," Senior Project Management Director Kevin Wilson said.

Trial Court Administrator Holly Elomina said the courthouse is running smoothly now that the county purchased a shed-like structure to house security checkpoint equipment. "Where the magnetometer was located was in the asbestos area. We had to wait for the county to be able to find some shelter for it to be in," she said.

Acting Circuit Court Judge Ruth Becker is based in Marathon and has been operating solely out of the new trailer. Circuit Court Judge Tegan Slaton holds family court there, while Chief Circuit Court Judge David Audlin holds juvenile and drug court there.

Elomina said the county continues to hold monthly traffic court, as well as some jury selection, in the commission chambers at the Marathon Government Center while the courthouse work is ongoing.

County Commissioner George Neugent had suggested razing the courthouse and

adjacent building housing a Monroe County Sheriff's Office substation and Tax Collector's Office after the asbestos was found, replacing them with one large complex.

Elomina proposed a "judicial complex" to the commission in January, saying some 9,000 cases, including traffic citations, go through the Marathon courthouse each year and that the county pays \$100,000 rent annually for the building.

Wilson presented preliminary estimates ranging from \$7.4 million to \$23 million, depending on the size of such a project. But he told the commission the "obvious conclusion" is to complete the renovation.

That's because a temporary fix while a new courthouse is designed and built would cost \$500,000 and last three to five years. Completing the ongoing repairs would cost between \$435,000 and \$450,000 and make the building usable for 10 years. Either option required removing mold and asbestos.

IPAD/IPHONE INVESTIGATION

Still no records from AT&T

That's holding up work of grand jury

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A Monroe County grand jury will wait longer than expected to begin its probe into the theft of county-owned iPads and iPhones.

Assistant Monroe County State Attorney Mark Wilson says cell-phone giant AT&T has asked for more time to comply with records subpoenas. He had thought he would get the records by April 25.

"I don't know what the problem is there, but it's not uncommon when records are subpoenaed to ask for more

time. These companies get thousands of requests. You've got law enforcement agencies across the country requesting records," he said.

Former Technical Services Director Lisa Druckemiller allegedly stole iPhones and iPads she ordered for the county and resold them to friends and co-workers. She's downplayed her role to the Keynoter and implied several other county employees are involved.

That includes County Administrator Roman Gastesi, who's admitted paying cash for two iPads and two iPhones. Senior systems analyst Hank Kokenzie admitted paying cash for three iPads and two iPhones.

At latest count, it's believed 36 county iPhones

and 12 iPads, conservatively valued at \$15,000 combined, are unaccounted for. The State Attorney's Office subpoenaed the billing and technical information in an effort to track down whoever has those devices.

Wilson said he wouldn't present evidence to the grand jury, empanelled last month, until those records are in hand. It's 21 members serve a six-month term.

"The whole point in presenting the matter to the grand jury is to let them have the final say and they can't do that unless they have all the facts that we obtain," he said.

Druckemiller resigned Feb. 24. She was earning \$75,489 per year.

Expect premium hikes

From Citizens, 1A

Specific changes

Citizens Property Insurance Corp.'s theory is that its artificially low rates discourage private insurers by making the market uncompetitive. It's banking on more private insurers picking up the slack as it depopulates.

Here are a few of the changes that began Tuesday for Citizens policyholders:

- Homeowners who need to join Citizens will have to submit written proof that there is no private insurer able to provide affordable coverage for their home
- Coverage for carports, screened enclosures and fences will end for renewal policies.
- The personal liability coverage limit will decline from \$300,000 to \$100,000.
- Uncapping rates for new policies, causing new policyholders to pay as much as 50 percent more than existing customers for similar coverage.
- Requiring new electrical and plumbing inspections for older homes.

— Miami Herald

209,000 inspections are scheduled for this year.

Citizens' depopulation push will soon go into overdrive, with several hard-charging coverage changes set to kick in over the next 18 months. Ideally, Citizens would like to shrink by 45 percent to 794,308 policies in the very near future.

With private insurers still wary about the Florida market, it's not clear where 678,000 current policyholders will go for coverage when contracts end with Citizens.

Keynoter staff contributed to this report.

Obituaries & Memorials

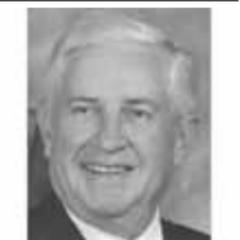
**CULLEN**

Bill Cullen, 63, died suddenly April 19, 2012. He was born in Holland, MI, to Russell and Anne Cullen. He moved to the Keys with his family in 1965, and graduated from Coral Shores High School and Pratt Institute, School of Architecture, in NY.

Bill was a unique, creative individual with many talents, from singing Sinatra to design and construction. He loved to travel and made friends wherever he went.

Bill is survived by his children, Anne and Noah Cullen, his mother, Anne Cullen, his sisters Marianne (Jim) Roper, Colleen (Tony) Hammon, Fran (Mike) Young, and his brothers, Russell (Daryl) Cullen, Patrick (Monica) Cullen, his ex wife Tanya Cleary, numerous nieces and nephews, and countless friends.

A memorial service will be held at 2 pm May 12 at Island Community Church in Islamorada, followed by a celebration of Bill's life at the Caribbean Club, Key Largo, beginning at 5 pm. All who knew him are invited to come and share their memories.

**ZERR**

William Zerr passed away at home on April 28, 2012. He was born in Lutherville, MD September 26, 1931 to William Thomas Zerr and Lorena Stith Zerr.

Mr. Zerr was a 1953 graduate of Johns Hopkins University. The university remained Bill's client throughout his career until his retirement in 2003. He was

author of "Inspection, Maintenance and Repair of Roofing Systems" tri-service manual of the Army, Navy and Air Force. The United States Army Corps of Engineers now has this manual on the internet.

During his 31 year career as an Independent Roofing Consultant, Bill consulted with many architects and engineers and served as an expert witness in many legal cases. He also had prior experience in building construction, concrete products, and land surveying.

Bill had many interests including Jazz, traveling, canoeing, crabbing, Johns Hopkins lacrosse, cooking on the grill no matter the weather, and spending winters in the Florida Keys. Bill will especially be remembered for his courage and positive spirit during his long illness. Bill attended Wicomico Presbyterian Church in Salisbury, and Presbyterian Kirk of the Keys in Marathon, FL.

He is survived by his wife Betty Hudson Zerr, a son Jeffrey Zerr and his wife Allison of Union Bridge, MD; a daughter-in-law Mimi Zerr of Virginia Beach, VA; four grandchildren Rena Elizabeth Zerr, Katie Zerr, Maggie Zerr, and Michael Zerr; stepchildren Susan McGaha and husband Patrick of Winter Springs, FL, Thomas Smith and wife Linda of Salisbury, Karen Tyndall Kocielek and husband Peter of Madeira Beach, FL; step-grandchildren Patrick McGaha of Baton Rouge, LA, Scott McGaha of New Port Richie, FL, Kevin McGaha of Winter Springs, FL, Bryan Smith and wife Sarah of Salisbury, Jeremy Smith of Greenville, SC, Barbara Morgan of Kannapolis, NC, Robert Morris of Salisbury, and Sara Kocielek of Madeira Beach, FL; and four great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sister Suzanne Zerr Greiner of Calabash, NC. He was preceded in death by his son William Scott Zerr in November 2007, and a sister Roberta (Bobby) Ratrie.

A memorial service will be held at Wicomico Presbyterian Church on Broad St. in Salisbury at 11 a.m. Wednesday. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Wicomico Presbyterian Church, 129 Broad St., Salisbury, MD 21801, or Presbyterian Kirk of the Keys, PO Box 501078, Marathon, FL, 33050. Please visit www.boundsfuneralhome.com to send letters of condolence to the family.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

NOAA conference raises questions

Few talking about meeting in Philadelphia

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Legal staff from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration went on a three-day conference in Philadelphia this week, but it's unclear what the meeting's purpose is, why the location was chosen and how much it cost taxpayers.

The meeting has raised red flags within the agency, according to sources close to NOAA law enforcement, especially in the wake of the recent scandal plaguing the General Services Administration. That agency, which handles much of the federal government's procurement, came under intense fire after it was revealed that 300 of its employees went on an extravagant trip to Las Vegas, Nev., in 2010, costing taxpayers more than \$820,000.

The GSA's administrator, Martha Johnson, has resigned, and several top employees have been fired since the story made headlines and became the topic of congressional investigations last month.

NOAA is the parent agency of the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary.

Two sources familiar with the NOAA Office of the General Counsel trip, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the meeting's location may look suspicious, since there are no NOAA facilities in Philadelphia other than weather stations. This means the cost of the trip — hotel rooms, meals, travel — would be paid for by the public.

The conference was held at the Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown Hotel from Monday through today.

Adam Issenberg, a section chief with the General Counsel's Fisheries and Protective Resources Section, said Tuesday that the conference was taking place but that he "is not in a position to speak" to the press about the nature of the meeting.

Issenberg referred questions to NOAA spokesman Scott Smullen, who did not return e-mails or a phone call by press time Tuesday. The Reporter/Keynoter also e-mailed three other NOAA spokespeople Monday and Tuesday with questions about the conference. Those e-mails were not returned by Tuesday afternoon.

NOAA, which is part of

the Commerce Department, is widely known, especially in South Florida, for its National Weather Service. But the agency also enforces federal fishing laws under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Reported abuses in that role have drawn intense scrutiny over the past three years, especially from

federal lawmakers in New England and the Mid-Atlantic.

Spokeswomen for both Massachusetts senators, Democrat John Kerry and Republican Scott Brown, said their offices are looking into the Philadelphia conference.

The former head of NOAA's law enforcement division, Dale Jones, resigned in 2010 after a Commerce

Department Inspector General's report detailed that NOAA agents harassed New England and Mid-Atlantic commercial fishermen with excessive fines and overzealous enforcement.

Agents used a \$7.5 million asset forfeiture fund fed by those fines to buy 200 cars, a luxury boat and foreign travel, according to the

IG report. Jones, who shredded documents related to the investigation, remains on the NOAA payroll at another post.

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LOBSTER INDUSTRY

Fishermen endorse small closure zones

It's compromise from original federal plan

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A measure to ban lobster traps from a network of 60 small areas along the Florida Keys coral reef tract has earned a strong endorsement from a local commercial fishing organization.

"We are very much in agreement and support it wholeheartedly," said Florida Keys Commercial Fishermen's Association executive director Bill Kelly.

A proposed amendment to the federal Spiny Lobster Management Plan in South Florida waters that would create the new zones has been opened to public comment, running through June 26.

The new zones, which would allow diving and line fishing, seek to protect threatened elkhorn and staghorn corals from damage that could be caused by storm-tossed lobster traps.

"Staff from NOAA Fisheries Service and the [federal fishery management] councils worked with fishermen, scientists and managers to choose areas that would protect the most coral without overly restricting fishing," says a National Marine Fisheries Service summary.

The combined area covered by the 60 areas covers a total of less than 6 square miles.

"We helped develop those sites so we're very happy

with the map as it exists," Kelly said Tuesday. "Just about all the sites originally proposed were scrapped."

Keys fishermen and conservationists said the original map covered too many sites devoid of hard coral, and overlooked other critical sites.

Two of the new zones take in experimental coral-reef nurseries being tended by restoration experts.

Kelly said fishermen, who generally avoid dropping traps near coral that could damage the gear, insisted on zones that would protect other corals expected to be classified as threatened in the near future.

A measure sharply disputed by Keys fishermen — a requirement that trap line be marked with color, to identify the fishery, by 2012 — has been delayed until 2017 for revision.

Kelly said the Keys fleet would have been required to replace 8,267 miles of trap rope at a cost to the industry of about \$19 million, based on an average trap having a buoy rope 90 feet long.

A working group will meet May 15 to consider alternatives to the first NOAA proposal.

"The Fisheries Service has given us wide latitude to consider new methods that would not create a financial burden to be labor intensive," Kelly said.

A map of the no trap zones, which range from North Key Largo to west of Key West, can be found at http://gulf.council.org/resources/Spiny_Maps.php. Comments can be submitted in writing at www.regulations.gov.

Employees uncomfortable

From Investigation, 1A

In Marathon, Principal Hammond Gracy allowed the men to look at a classroom before asking them to leave, whereas at HOB, school staff didn't allow the men past the front office.

After the Marathon tour, some employees there felt uncomfortable so they reported the visit to the Monroe County Sheriff's Office. Gracy also notified the other schools about what happened.

Turns out, Glynn Archer Elementary in Key West, Key Largo School and the Treasure Village Montessori in Islamorada also were visited by "several people with foreign accents," Sheriff's Office spokeswoman Becky Herrin said. At Treasure Village, it was two women. It was the Sheriff's Office

that called the FBI, and Superintendent Jesus Jara spoke with agents on Monday. "We have pictures of them and turned those over to the FBI," he said.

"None of the reports indicated any threatening behavior by the people wanting the tours," Herrin said; the investigation was done "just in case."

"Security on our school campuses is always of paramount importance to us," Jara said. "When these incidents came to light, we promptly brought them to the attention of law enforcement and worked with them throughout their investigation."

The conclusion that the visitors weren't a threat was made in a meeting Tuesday with School District, Sheriff's Office and Key West Police Department personnel.

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BISCAYNE BAY

Pro, cons argue on proposed closure

16 square miles would be shut from harvesting

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A North Key Largo fisherman who supports a no-fishing area for 16 square miles of Biscayne National Park waters found himself heavily outnumbered at a congressional hearing Friday in Washington, D.C.

"It was a very partisan, very one-sided affair," Jack Curlett said after his testimony at the U.S. House Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

"Their minds were made up," Curlett said. "Our three [South Florida] congressmen have been badgered by the boat and bait people."

South Florida representatives Ileana Ros-Lehtinen and Mario Diaz-Balart testified against the National Park Service's preferred alternative for the new Biscayne management plan, which includes a proposal to halt fishing to protect a marine ecosystem covering 10,522 acres, about six miles from North Key Largo's Angelfish Creek.

"Closing off areas to those who pay for the management of these areas has to be the last thing to do," Diaz-Balart told the committee. "If you have a small boat, you go to the places right next door. That's who will be affected."

U.S. Rep. David Rivera sat on the subcommittee. Kenneth Wright, vice chairman of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, told the FWC opposes the no-take zone and believes the state agency was ignored in Biscayne National Park's planning.

The closure would "unnecessarily prohibit fishing, both recreational and commercial ... on some of the most popular and productive fishing grounds in the park."

Reduced nearshore fishing could affect a large number of Miami businesses, said Karl Crook of Crook and Crook Marine Supply. "Stripping access and making closures is not the answer," Crook said.

Curlett told the panel he sought a seat on the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council so he could oppose protected areas inside the sanctuary but has changed his view.

"I was dead set against them," he said. "After eight years on the council representing recreational fishermen, I've seen them work, both in the Dry Tortugas and at Carysfort Reef, right in front of my house."

While Wright and other critics of Biscayne's preferred alternative said less stringent measures could be adopted, Curlett argued the national park's fish populations have been sorely depleted by the failure to respond to increasing harvest pressure.

"I heard testimony that there are other tools in the box, but where the heck are the tools?" Curlett said in response to a question from Rivera. "What tools have they used to bring it back?"

"Biscayne National Park is a patient on life support," Curlett said. "Giving it two aspirins and telling it to come back in the morning isn't going to work."

"Visitors come expecting to see an aquatic Yellowstone or Yosemite," he said. "That's what they deserve, but not what they're getting."

Curlett, a lifetime Republican, noted that South Florida's three GOP representatives declined to accept his invitation to testify. "I'm a third-generation member of the party of Lincoln, and I had to get an invitation from a Democrat," he said.

Most of the more than 18,000 written comments received support the closure, said Herbert Frost, associate director of the National Parks Service.

ELECTION 2012

Ward: I broke election law

Affiliation missing from campaign signs

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Incumbent Monroe County State Attorney Dennis Ward, seeking a second four-year term as the Florida Keys' top prosecutor, admitted Monday that he's violated state election law.

Ward said his campaign

signs don't identify him as a Democrat; he said the fix is to either replace the signs or add the required word via stickers.

The Florida Elections Commission, which investigates election complaints, doesn't comment on cases that are under review.

However, Ward said he received notification of the violation and that Republican challenger Mark Kohl, a former Keys state attorney, filed the complaint.

"There's no question

about it that he's right," Ward said, adding that he didn't think it was a malicious move. Kohl declined to confirm he filed the complaint.

"Those are considered to be confidential," he said of elections complaints. "I just don't believe it's right to talk about it."

The specific law Ward violated is Florida statute 106.143 regarding political advertisements. It says any political advertisement must include the name of the can-

didate, party affiliation and office sought.

Ward said he's waiting for instructions from state officials on how to proceed. He doesn't know if he will have to pay a fine.

Running against Ward in the Aug. 14 primary is fellow Democrat Catherine Vogel, chief assistant when Kohl was state attorney before Ward. Ward, a former police officer, ran in 2008 on a platform of rooting out public corruption.

KEY WEST

Cates pushing Easter Seals site for KOTS

New location would include food service

By SEAN KINNEY
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Mayor Craig Cates, continuing his bid to move the Keys Overnight Temporary Shelter to city-owned property, has asked Key West staff to come with a relocation timeline, cost estimate and related data by June 5.

Cates said a preliminary site survey indicates the shelter, which houses around 150 homeless men and women each night in tents at the Monroe County Sheriff's Office headquarters on

Stock Island, would fit at the former Easter Seals building, 5220 College Road.

"It has to be somewhere," Cates said, "and the community has to have a shelter."

He cited the federal Pottinger vs. Miami lawsuit in 1998, the settlement of which meant police can't arrest homeless people sleeping, bathing, dressing and the like in public unless they were offered alternative shelter.

"This is the best place for it and we'll build a good facility that's permanent," Cates said of the Easter Seals building.

KOTS, run by a consortium of nonprofit operators, is open from sun down to sun up. Cates envisions the new facility being open

around the clock with a food-service component.

St. Mary Star of the Sea Outreach Mission operates a soup kitchen on Flagler Avenue, which along with the restrictive KOTS hours, causes a sort of all-day migration from KOTS into Key West, then back.

"I'm hoping we can bring the nonprofits in to help service the homeless there with guidance and things like that and feeding them there also," Cates said.

"People will stay there all day so they're not coming and going and hanging out" waiting for KOTS to open. "It's going to be much better and this is the first step."

Cates was set to pitch his plan to the Key West City

Commission in a meeting Tuesday night.

In October, the Southernmost Homeless Assistance League coordinated a transition of management at KOTS from the Florida Keys Outreach Coalition to a three-entity consortium comprising Samuel's House, St. Mary Star of the Sea Outreach Mission and the Guidance/Care Center.

KOTS, which costs the city about \$400,000 per year to operate, was established in October 2004 after the city passed an ordinance banning camping in mangrove areas, leading to visible homeless encampments along South Roosevelt Boulevard.

KEY WEST

More parking stations going in

Single-head meters nearly thing of past

Keynoter Staff

In a continuing effort to replace older single-head parking meters prone to mechanical failure, Key West city staff is set to install another round of 16 mid-block pay stations.

The Key West City Commission was expected to approve on Tuesday night a \$142,900 expenditure for the purchase and install of the newer meters, referred to as "pay and display" because once depositing money and printing a receipt, the motorist must place the ticket on his or her dashboard.

City Parking Manager John Wilkins said there are

42 of the units already in place around the city and with the latest installation, there will be only 152 of the more familiar meters left on the streets.

Wilkins said the conversion, started in 2009, is almost complete and has targeted high-volume parking areas.

"Now we're down to a cleanup operation," he said. "We will never be rid of every meter. Some

blocks only have two or three ... so it just doesn't make sense.

The new parking stations will go in on south Duval Street, United and Virginia streets just off Duval, Bahama Street between Eaton and Southard streets, on Whitehead Street between Eaton and Fleming streets, then on Green and Simonton streets near the Key West Bight.

BP Oil Spill Settlement Announced

The Plaintiffs' Steering Committee (PSC) spearheading the litigation surrounding the 2010 BP Gulf Oil Spill recently announced that a settlement in principle has been reached with BP that will fully compensate hundreds of thousands of victims of the tragedy. The settlement is to be fully funded by BP, with no cap on the amount BP will pay. BP is obligated to fully satisfy all eligible claims under the terms of the Court supervised settlement, irrespective of the funds previously set aside.

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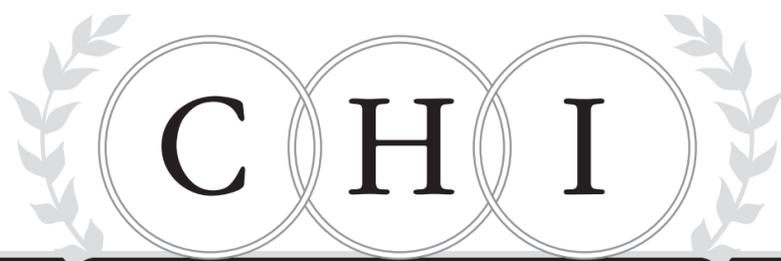


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EDITORIAL

Scott to get
a Keys earful

He made the right decision on sewer funds, now governor needs to address insurance fairness

When the Florida Cabinet comes to Marathon on May 8 for the first-ever Cabinet meeting held in the Keys, the stakes will be high.

Having signed a state budget with \$50 million approved for Keys sewers, Gov. Rick Scott can expect a hearty reception and public thanks. Given the long history of trying to get the state to pay on previous sewer funding promises, Scott deserves accolades for this breakthrough.

We hope he's equally open-minded on the subject of windstorm insurance. Members of Fair Insurance Rates in Monroe want 15 minutes with the governor to talk insurance. They want the state's top elected officials to hear about the crazy quilt system we labor under now with Citizens Property Insurance Corp.

That state-backed, quasi-public company announced new rules on Tuesday that will make it far more expensive to buy windstorm coverage and shed as many as 678,000 policies statewide. Citizens' goal: Reduce the state's exposure in the event of a catastrophic storm event.

While that might sound like a fiscally reasoned approach, FIRM officials see it as prescribing the wrong medicine to fix what's wrong with Citizens.

"The reforms being instituted to reduce risk have unintended consequences that will damage our fragile, recovering economy," FIRM argues in a presentation its members hope to share with state officials during their Keys visit.

Unlike most other areas in the state, Monroe County is pretty much at the mercy of Citizens as the insurer of last resort. When FIRM recently asked the state Office of Insurance Regulation to provide a list of private insurers that offer builders risk coverage in Monroe County, the agency drew a blank.

Monroe property owners already pay among the highest rates for windstorm insurance of anyplace in Florida. To rub salt in that wound, Monroe claims rank near the bottom in reimbursements paid.

From 2003 to 2011, covering two of the worst storm seasons in Florida history, "Monroe County generated a gross profit (premiums less claims) for Citizens of \$504 million," according to FIRM.

Now, they'd like to see Citizens spend \$350,000 on proper analysis to fix the badly flawed risk models the insurance companies (and Citizens) use now.

After all, here in the Keys, the greatest damage comes from flood, not wind, and FIRM has the evidence to prove it: "After Hurricane Wilma, [federal] flood insurance paid 14 times more in claims than wind insurance."

FIRM's prescription: Fix the risk models and then private insurers will see the Keys as a good risk for private underwriting, especially given the history of posting "the lowest loss to exposure ratio" among coastal communities studied.

That makes a strong business case for a governor, who prides himself on cost-benefit analysis. Let's hope he'll listen and then act accordingly.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Increase school taxes

Re: A proposed increase in school taxes:

Yes, someone has to watch out for the kids. The Monroe County School Board elected not to approve a referendum for the August ballot allowing voters to determine whether to approve a property tax to help fund the School District.

It projects a \$6.2 million budget shortfall. The School Board's response to board member Ron Martin's agenda item was to suggest that the district doesn't deserve the additional money because of past bad deeds. If the board does not feel it is capable of managing the district in a fiscally responsible manner, then those members should step down and allow those willing to hire accountable staff step in.

Clearly the board has lost touch with reality and is acting in a self-centered fashion, considering themselves and their embarrassment rather than the well-being of the school children in our county.

Not only are our youngest students less able to learn to read and write, but our juniors and seniors are missing necessary classes to enter four-year colleges and universities with the well-rounded education that many colleges seek in their incoming freshman.

Our district laid off many teachers



The letter writer says residents would be willing to raise school taxes to maintain quality education.

already and plans to cut 40 positions next year while limiting the number of substitute teachers and allowing classrooms with kids absent of instructors.

One of the French teachers at Key West High School has been reassigned for a month to assist French/Creole-speaking students to take standardized tests while her Advanced Placement French class will have had no French teacher for a whole month prior to the

Board member insulting

In an article covering a recent Monroe County School Board meeting, your paper quoted School Board member Robin Smith-Martin as saying that anyone who doesn't support doubling property taxes for our schools is "a greedy bastard." Well, he certainly has shamed me into wanting to open my pocketbook.

I invite whoever is going to run against him to call me when he's up for re-election and we'll see if we can't dispel the idea that reasonable, responsible taxpayers who demand good stewardship of our money are indeed greedy, let alone bastards. I wonder if he has enough intelligence and book learning to be able to personalize my paraphrase of his quote: Stupid bastard.

Glenn Gidseg
Marathon

FWC balances needs

Balancing the needs and wants of our saltwater fishermen with resource protection that will last well into the future is a constant challenge for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

When population numbers for a species are low, we often have to make tough decisions, balancing the needs of the species with the needs of the fishermen. This may mean limiting harvest in an effort to rebuild that species for future anglers. But these difficult decisions can lead to great rewards and increased fishing opportunities, as we have recently seen.

Thanks to years of successful management strategies, the commission was able to increase fishing opportunities for red drum and spotted sea trout in state waters. Nearly 2 million saltwater anglers live and visit Florida's 2,276 miles of coastline. These increases not only allow for better fishing opportunities, they also provide economic opportunities.

Recreational saltwater fishing in Florida has an annual economic impact of \$5.7 billion. Bait and tackle shops, charter fishermen, hotels and restaurants are just a few of the businesses that gain from the increased fishing opportunities as more anglers flock to the fishing cap-

ital of the world.

The state has been managing red drum and spotted sea trout since the late 1980s through conservation measures such as bag and size limits, harvest seasons and gear limitations. The effectiveness of these tools is reflected in the populations of red drum and spotted sea trout.

In the span of 20 years, red drum numbers have not only met our goals, but have been consistently exceeding them in the northeast and northwest areas of the state, where the bag limit was increased from one to two fish.

Spotted sea trout numbers are also meeting our goals and are doing exceptionally well in the northeast region of the state, where the bag limit was increased from five to six fish.

On Feb. 1, when the management changes for red drum and spotted sea trout went into effect, several other changes also took place, including the removal of all spotted sea trout recreational closed seasons and the expansion of commercial spotted sea trout open seasons.

For some fishermen, the idea of increasing fishing opportunities has been a cause of concern. Many fishermen remember what it was like when these species were not doing well, and they do not want to return to those days.

But to successfully manage a species means providing as many fishing opportunities as possible while maintaining sustainable fisheries. This is exactly what we are doing with red drum and spotted sea trout.

Kathy Barco
FWC chairwoman
Jacksonville

Coverage is unfair

I was very disappointed to see another *Keynoter* article about the proposed zip line for Crane Point Museum and Nature Center focusing on Crane Point's side.

Crane Point had one speaker at a recent Monroe County Commission meeting, John Henderson, the public face of the project since the outset. The opposition had two: Deb Curlee, a board member of Last Stand and a member of Crane Point, and Ron Miller, a member of Last Stand.

Last Stand has raised the issue that

the proposal violates Marathon's land-use plan and it is time to stop giving Crane Point public money. Commissioners Murphy and Wigington understood that and decided that taxpayer dollars should not go to a project fraught with so many potential problems, including legal ones.

The important issue that emerged in the meeting is that Commissioner George Neugent is a member of the board of Crane Point, according to Crane Point's grant application to the Department of Economic Opportunity.

In the presence of Crane Point board Chairman Lynn Mapes, he claimed not to be, or couldn't remember, or thought maybe he'd been fired by Mapes.

If Commissioner Neugent is a member of the board as claimed in the DEO application submitted in February, he should have abstained. If he is not a member of Crane Point, then Crane Point lied to the DEO about the configuration of its board. These are not small matters.

Having a county commissioner on their board gives them stature, and indicating that the board's decision was unanimously in support of the zip line adds to the stature of their case. Commissioner Neugent's lighthearted treatment of the matter was very offensive to those of us who have been working daily for nine months to expose the serious problems inherent in the zip-line project.

Also, through his action, he did not live up to the standards expected of county employees who, when considering outside employment, for example, are guided by county policies to avoid situations that "may reasonably be perceived by members of the public as a conflict of interest or otherwise discredit public service."

As people in town are learning about the zip line, mostly by word of mouth because the press coverage has been so poor, we are hearing more and more complaints and indignation. If only the *Keynoter* had been reporting on this important local story on a regular basis, and giving both sides, more people would be raising questions.

Beverly Welber
Marathon

Letters to
the Editor

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MARATHON

Hospital CFO resigns

Schimming cites computer issues for departure

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Michael Schimming resigned Friday as Fishermen's Community Hospital chief financial officer, just six months after being hired.

"He felt like that he was going to be better suited doing a different assignment somewhere. We had a number of computer implementation issues and things and he felt like that was better handled on an ongoing basis by someone else," Chief Executive Office Hal Leftwich said.

The Marathon medical center is nearly 10 months into a transition from for-profit lessee Health Management Associates to Quorum Health Resources. Schimming works for Quorum.

The Fishermen's nonprofit

board owns the hospital and assumed financial responsibility for it on July 1. That's when a 25-year lease with Naples-based HMA expired.

Leftwich said there were no issues with how Schimming handled the hospital's finances.

"I've talked to some folks at BB&T that might have had some issues, so they knew there wasn't any issue with the books or anything," he said. "They made the initial loan to fund the transition."

Most recently, Schimming was CFO for Allegiance Health Management in Shreveport, La., with more than 40 facilities including acute-care, long-term and critical-access hospitals like Fishermen's, and in-patient and outpatient psychiatric units.

He had also been CEO and CFO for a 118-bed hospital in Arkansas; CFO for a Baptist Health Care System hospital in Beaumont, Texas; and CFO for several HMA hospitals in Arkansas and Texas.

Leftwich said he expects

Schimming to be replaced within 10 days. He said the board is responsible for making that hire.

"We're continuing on with all the projects we had underway and trying to expand our medical staff to make sure the community has the care that it needs," Leftwich said.

Bassett to Taunton

Kim Bassett, CEO of Fishermen's Hospital for nearly five years, leaving when it transitioned from HMA to Quorum, has been named president of Morton Hospital in Taunton, Mass.

In addition to her work at Fishermen's, she served as a trustee on the Florida Keys Community College board, and had served as chief nursing officer at Lower Keys Medical Center after working at other hospitals in Florida, Missouri and Virginia.

Morton is operated by Steward Health Care, headquartered in Boston.

ENVIRONMENT

56 corals getting federal review

Result could be protection by the feds

By KEVIN WADLOW
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Corals possibly threatened by warming oceans will be reviewed by federal officials over the next several months to determine if certain species should be ranked as threatened.

Some of the most common corals along the Keys reef tract, including those known as boulder star and mountain star, will be included in the survey, required under a legal settlement with the Center for Biological Diversity, an environmental group.

Some of the Keys corals are among 56 species ranked as "likely to be extinct before 2100," says a status report issued April 13

by the National Marine Fisheries Service.

Combined effects of "rising temperature, increased incidence of disease and ocean acidification ... are likely to represent the greatest risks of extinction to all or most of the candidate coral species over the next century," a review summary says.

The Center for Biological Diversity filed the lawsuit that resulted in protected-species status for elkhorn coral and staghorn coral, which currently are the only corals covered by the Endangered Species Act.

A settlement with federal agencies, the result of a 2009 lawsuit, mandates that the Marine Fisheries Service make a determination by Dec. 1 which other coral species should be proposed for threatened status.

Most of the 56 species are in the Pacific Ocean, but a handful of the Caribbean

species — including mountain star and boulder star — are among those most likely to become extinct, according to an initial survey of ocean experts, the study says.

"These delicate corals need help, first with federal protections, then with dramatic reductions in carbon dioxide pollution," said Miyoko Sakashita, oceans director with the Center for Biological Diversity.

The Center for Biological Diversity, based in Tucson, Ariz., this month teamed with the Turtle Island Restoration Network in filing a notice of intent to sue the federal government over loggerhead sea turtles, the most commonly seen Keys marine turtle.

Florida beaches needed for loggerhead nesting should be designated as critical habitat for the protected turtles, the notice says.

Business

BANKING

Banks roll out new fees after debit-card fail

They defend higher costs, blame Congress

McClatchy-Tribune

If you thought customers triumphed last fall when the nation's big banks quickly retreated from monthly fees for debit-card use, think again: Like the mythical Hydra, banks have replaced that charge, severed by a grassroots uprising, with various new fees designed to recoup lost income.

Although some of the fees appeared before last year's debit-card revolt, many more are making their debuts this year. There are nearly 50 different fees consumers can wind up paying, depending on the services they use and how they use them, according to some consumer advocates' latest estimates.

"Most of these fees are not the in-your-face charges, such as the debit-card fee that caused the big uproar," said Alex Matjanec, co-founder of www.MyBankTracker.com, a consumer-finance information website. "Many are flying under the radar. But they could have a big long-term effect on your money if you aren't paying attention."

Some banks have started charging for wire transfers, paper statements, prepaid cards, debit-card replacement and other services. Some even charge you now for closing an account or for making deposits using

an iPhone. Don't be surprised if some banks eventually charge people just to apply for a loan, consumer advocates say.

Banks are combining the new fees with increases in existing fees in an effort to make up for billions of dollars in revenue whose loss they blame on the federal financial-services overhaul, spiraling regulatory costs and huge legal liabilities such as the recent \$25 billion foreclosure-fraud lawsuit settlement.

For example, there has been a resurgence in overdraft and credit-card fees, both of which had dipped across the industry as a result of changes that took effect in 2009 and 2010.

"The banks have done a good job of convincing consumers that they just can't live without those [overdraft] services," said Gerri Detweiler, a Sarasota-based personal-finance expert for www.Credit.com, an independent consumer-finance research service.

Banks say they still provide customers multiple ways to avoid the vast majority of service fees, including the new ones. More than half of all U.S. bank customers pay no fees at all by maintaining minimum account balances, setting up direct deposits or signing up for other services linked to their accounts, according to a 2011 study by the American Bankers Association.

Tipping point

Still, the fee issue has reached a tipping point for



Bank of America quickly retreated on its plan to charge debit-card fees but now, financial institutions are looking all kinds of new fees — even one to close your account.

some consumers.

Chris Erwin of Orlando said he closed his bank account at Wells Fargo & Co. last fall during the uproar over monthly fees for debit-card use. He also cited the Occupy Wall Street protest movement, which focused much of its energy on big banks.

"The Occupy movement kind of made me realize these big banks act more like investment banks, and you don't really know what they are using your money for," said Erwin, a 24-year-old home-security supervisor who has opened a member account at the Lake Mary-based CFE Federal Credit Union. "It just seemed a much fairer thing to do, to go to a not-for-profit-type bank."

According to a recent survey by Javelin Strategy and Research, more than 5.6 million consumers switched banks during the fourth quarter of 2011,

including many who moved to credit unions or smaller community banks, both of which typically charge lower fees.

The survey by the California-based financial-consulting company estimated that 610,000, or 11 percent of the total, did so as part of the grassroots protest against big banks' attempt to impose debit-card fees, while an additional 846,000, or 15 percent, changed because of objections to bank fees generally.

A half-dozen large banks either imposed or announced plans last year to impose \$5 monthly fees on customers who used their debit cards to buy goods and services; ATM use was exempt from the fee. The banks' actions stoked public anger still simmering from the federal government's 2008 bailout of major U.S. banks, and an online anti-fee petition

drew more than 300,000 signatures. By early November, all of the banks had backed off their debit-card fees.

Banks argue that surveys such as Javelin's don't tell the whole story. Such studies neglect to report, for example, how many new accounts were opened at major financial institutions during the same time period.

Banks defensive

Increases in the number and size of consumer fees, they say, are the inevitable result of what they describe as government overregulation of their industry: Caps on fees charged to merchants, additional disclosure mandates and other financial-service changes have limited their revenue and boosted their costs.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Labor attorney addresses group

The Florida Keys Society of Human Resource Managers hosts a seminar May 9 titled "The Twelve Most Common Mistakes of Employers." The session is led by attorney Gregg Gerlach.

It's set for 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. at the Comfort Inn, 3820 N. Roosevelt Blvd., Key West. Lunch is included. Cost is \$25 for people not members of the organization.

For more information, go to www.keyshr.net.

Tavernier lawyer can work before Supremes

Tavernier attorney Richard Behr has been certified to appear in cases before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Behr was admitted to the Bar of the United States Supreme Court on April 2 in Washington, D.C., sworn in by Chief Justice John Roberts. He was sponsored for admission by John Corkery, dean of the John Marshall School of Law in Chicago.

Behr has practiced law for 25 years and lived in Monroe County for 15 years.

Averette wins AP radio award



Alyssa Averette, a 2009 Key West High School graduate, won a first-place award in the Florida

Associated Press Awards announced April 21 for her work at WUFT-FM, the University of Florida radio station.

Averette, majoring in

telecommunications, won for best use of sound for a feature titled "Sept. 11: We Will Never Forget." The awards ceremony was on April 21 in Orlando.

Learn to manage stress and time

The Key West Chamber of Commerce hosts a seminar by business consultant Elisa Levy on stress and time management from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. May 15 at the DoubleTree Grand Key Resort on South Roosevelt Boulevard.

Topics will include tips on prioritizing and staying organized, managing your e-mail and how to say no effectively.

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Blume on writing

Author Judy Blume, who lives in Key West, explains how her writing process works. Story, **3B**



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TRACK AND FIELD

Georges crowned champ in 400

47.35 time tops all others at state meet

By **DICK WAGNER**
Keynoter Contributor

Clive Georges became the seventh Key West High track champion in an individual event when he won the 400-meter dash at Saturday's Class 2A state meet at the University of North Florida in Jacksonville.

Georges also medaled in the 100, the 220 and the triple jump, and fellow senior Lindsay Cowpland won a medal by finishing eighth in the girls discuss throw. An athlete had to finish in the top eight to receive a medal.

Georges joins the previous Conch gold-medal win-

ners — Brittany Wagoner (2011, pole vault), Phillip Young (2009, 300 hurdles), Hunter Potalivo (2007, pole vault), Terrence Moore (2005, long jump), R.J. Anderson (2005, 400) and Hannah Richards (2003, pole vault).

In the 400, he won in a personal-best 47.35 seconds, breaking Anderson's record of 47.47 set in 2005. He edged American Heritage's Tera Smith, whose time was 47.43. "In the last 150 yards, he started pushing it, and I started pushing it," Georges said.

His time was fifth-fastest in Florida this season — Armon Hall, of Fort Lauderdale's St. Thomas Aquinas, is first on the list, running the event in 46.41.

"He's probably the best 400 and 200 sprinter I've seen here," Key West coach

David Perkins, who's been at the school 15 years, said of Georges.

Georges also ran a personal-best 10.76 seconds to finish second to Orlando Jones High's Levonte Whitfield (10.49) in the 100. He was fifth in the triple jump in a personal-best of 46 feet 9 1/2 inches. In his last event, he was fifth in 22.33 second (Whitfield won in 20.96).

"I had no energy left — at all," he said.

Headed to play football at the University of Arizona, Georges capped his Conch career by becoming the first Key West athlete to win four medals at a state meet. He also has a career seven state medals, a total matched only by Phillip Young.

"A scholarship and a championship — I'm happy," said Georges, who

wants to run track at Arizona as part of the 4x400 relay team.

Cowpland went into Saturday's meet hoping to medal and break the school discus record. She did both, finishing eighth with a toss of 114 feet, 1 inch, bettering her personal best by almost two inches. Jacksonville Bolles' Victoria Reiman (131.7) was first.

The old Conch mark had been held since 1996 by Anna Aschendorf. "I got to meet her and we talked a lot on Facebook — she gave me a few pointers," Cowpland said.

Her goals fulfilled, she stood on the podium in front of her friends and coaches Rick Ridenour and Perkins. "It was very nice," she said, adding, "I hope to throw in college," though unsure where that will be.

Pansky, McCoy medal at state

Keynoter Staff

Two Upper Keys runners scored Top 8 finishes at state-championship track meets last weekend.

Yekaterina "Katie" Pansky, an Island Christian School junior, raced to a seventh-place finish in the 300-meter hurdles at the state Class 1A meet Friday at the University of North Florida.

Pansky clocked a 47.56-second time in the final, where the

top three finishers posted times under 46 seconds. Pansky earned a spot in the state final after a 47.04 race in the preliminary heat.

Tavernier resident Joanna McCoy, attending Miami's Gulliver Prep for her senior season, ran an 11:42.3 for eighth place in the Class 2A state final of the 3,200 meters, held Saturday at UNF. McCoy was the medalist in South Florida's Region 4-2A in the distance event.

ISLAND CHRISTIAN BASEBALL



Photo by PETER IHRIG

Island Christian senior Kadian Carter beats the tag at third in the Eagles' 10-6 loss to Colonial Christian in the District 16-2A championship game Friday. As the district's second-place team, the Eagles advance to the state regionals Thursday.

Eagles head to regional

They play pretty tough Westwood team

Keynoter Staff

As runner-up in District 16-2A, Island Christian School travels to Westwood Christian for Thursday's opening round of the state

baseball regional playoffs.

The Eagles (7-8) fell to Colonial Christian in a 10-6 decision in the District 16-2A title game. Island Christian owned a 5-3 lead in the middle of the fourth inning.

"We had a few bad innings and let them catch up," said Eagle head coach Bruce Davis. "We were in

the game but it didn't go our way at the end."

Kadian Carter, the only senior on the ICS squad, tripled and doubled for the Eagles. Left fielder Dylan Ayres drove in two Eagle runs with a single, and reached on a Colonial error.

The regional playoff game at Westwood begins at 4 p.m. Thursday. The host

Warriors, 15-2A champions, carry an impressive 15-5 record.

"They beat us pretty bad last time we played and none of their seniors were there," Davis said. "This time, they'll have the seniors. It should be interesting."

Westwood's field and campus is at 5801 SW 120th Ave., Miami.

FISHING THE FLORIDA KEYS

Grouper finally back in the mix

Season opens after 4 months of a shut-down

Hope-fully everyone is enjoying grouper dinners this week, as the eight-month season opened Tuesday.

You'll find these gourmet delicacies anywhere from Hawk Channel out to the wrecks, rubble piles and artificial reefs. A favorite spot for many anglers is the reef edge.

I typically aim to catch a limit of grouper while sitting on one of my yellowtail snapper spots. The grouper congregate in these areas as they, too, are looking to dine on the spawning yellowtail.

The grouper aggregate bag limit is three per har-



Chris Johnson

vester per day in Monroe County in both Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico waters. No more than one fish can be a black or a gag, but all three can be reds. And there is a zero daily bag and possession limit for captain and crew on for-hire vessels.

May also kicks the mutton snapper spawn into gear. This makes for some extraordinary catches from the reef out through the wrecks, with some of the largest muttons of the year showing up now.

These fish are feeding aggressively, making them

relatively easy to catch, so please exercise restraint and take no more than you can use.

Permit are also holding on the artificial reefs and rock piles, but they must all be released unharmed for the next three months.

On Aug. 31, 2011, the state Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission established a special permit zone in South Florida encompassing waters south of Cape Florida on the Atlantic coast and south of Cape Sable on the Gulf coast. They have imposed new regulations in Florida state and federal waters that include a closed season on permit in the zone during May, June and July.

There are abundant quantities of tarpon at the bridges and in Key West

Harbor. Live mullet, crabs and pinfish are all working well.

If you're going to attempt to fish for tarpon on your own rather than with a knowledgeable charter professional, be aware of the code of etiquette. Come off your anchor and give space to a boat that's hooked up and chasing a fish. And if you see an anchor ball in a bridge span with no boat attached to it, that captain is off fighting a tarpon. He'll be back at some point, so don't anchor up in the same spot. These are just a couple of examples.

The week's best

Terry and Shane, from Spartanburg, S.C., hooked

• See Fishing, 2B

CORAL SHORES LACROSSE



Lady Hurricane defender Cami Lopez (front) signs papers last week to attend Stetson University on a lacrosse scholarship. Joining her are parents Gordo and Teri Lopez, with Lady cane coaches John Jarnigan, Cindy Hall and Mark Hall.

Lady Canes' run ends with 18-6 loss

Team finishes the season with 12-4 mark

By **KEVIN WADLOW**

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A shorthanded Coral Shores High girls lacrosse team could not overcome an established program Friday, ending the season in the state regional playoffs.

Pine Crest, a state semifinalist in 2011, topped the Lady Canes, 18-6.

"Our girls gave it everything they had and were incredibly supportive of the younger players who filled in," head coach Mark Hall said.

"But under the circumstances, six goals was about all we were going to get against them," Hall said.

Julia Lozano, the Hurricanes' leading scorer, put four shots into the Pine Crest net. Kaitlyn O'Leary and Morgan Champagne each scored once.

Several senior regulars missed the game because of a previously scheduled graduation-related event. Two seniors, top defender Cami Lopez and attacker Raisa Santiesteban, opted to play at Pine Crest.

"Cami forced four or five turnovers in yet

another great game for her," Hall said.

Coral Shores finishes the season with a 12-4 record, including an undefeated run through District 25 that ended with a district championship.

"It didn't end the way we wanted but that doesn't detract from what's been a stellar season," Hall said. "These girls have a right to be proud."

Lozano earned national attention by scoring 90 goals through 16 games — 81 from the field and nine on free position (penalty) shots. She also delivered 22 of the club's combined 44 assists, and her 105 ground balls led the team.

"It simply was an all-American-caliber performance by Julia," Hall said. "I've never seen one like it."

Lopez signs

Lopez, who accounted for 43 of Coral Shores' 86 total forced turnovers this spring, including her team-high 11 field interceptions, has become the first Lady Hurricane to sign a lacrosse commitment to an NCAA Division I program.

Lopez formally committed to attend Stetson University, which converts its women's lacrosse club team into an NCAA

• See Canes, 2B



The Danielson family, from Oregon and Washington, is back at the dock after dinner and a show (snapper and shark fishing) with SeaSquared Charters.

Some tarpon being shy

From Fishing, 1B

up on some nice permit with Capt. Jim Griffith of Angler Management Charters out of the Island Fish Co. in Marathon.

Fishing with guide Neil Apley on their rental boat at Captain Pip's Marina and Hideaway in Marathon, Bob Ragotzkie from Madison Wis., and his friend Richard Ela had a great catch of dolphin, mutton and yellowtail snapper.

The SeaSquared finished out April with tarpon and shark trips, and some mangrove snapper thrown in for dinner.

We think we had a

record number of "Live Free or Die" folks on the boat in one week, with three different groups hailing from New Hampshire. In addition, we hosted groups from Washington, Oregon, Georgia and Kentucky.

Capt. Moe Mottice, of Moe's Custom Charters in Key West, spent a little time offshore trolling ballyhoo and caught sailfish, dolphin, king mackerel and bonito. Inshore, the tarpon were around but shy about eating. Luckily, the big mangroves were plentiful and everyone had snapper dinners. Cero and Spanish mackerel were also biting along with

blacktip and American sharp nose sharks.

Casting contest

Capt. Spider's Casting for Charity takes place Thursday at Salty's Waterfront Grill, located at the 7 Mile Marina, mile marker 47.5 bayside in Marathon. The fun contest runs from 6 to 8 p.m. and will benefit the Marathon High School Maritime Scholarship.

Capt. Chris Johnson is a member of the Yamaha National Fishing Team and specializes in offshore, gulfbay, reef/wreck, shark and tarpon fishing with SeaSquared Charters out of the 7 Mile Marina in Marathon. You can reach him at 743-5305, SeaSquared@bellsouth.net and www.SeaSquaredCharters.com.

CORAL SHORES FOOTBALL

Football Canes optimistic for 2012

New players mix with vets in Tavernier

By KEVIN WADLOW
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Ignoring a rainy forecast for Tuesday's first day of spring football practice, Coral Shores High School coaches see nothing but clear skies ahead.

"Guys have been coming up and saying they can't wait for spring practice to start," second-year Hurricane head coach Ed Holly said Monday.

"We coaches are excited that Principal Dave Murphy asked us back. The players are excited to

get back on the field," Holly said. "It's a wonderful thing."

The Canes have reason for optimism, with a host of veterans expected to return from last fall's 5-5 campaign, the most successful football season at Coral Shores in several years.

"There's been an unbelievable amount of interest in the program," Holly said. "We could see at least 15 new faces out here."

Coaches are allowed to conduct 17 field sessions during the spring season, leading up to a May 24 jamboree at the Canes' home field with Marathon High School and Keys Gate Charter.

Coral Shores also will stage a May 18 intrasquad scrimmage at George M.

Barley Jr. Stadium. "Spring is about stressing the fundamentals, getting better at blocking and tackling," Holly said.

Coral Shores players will recognize the essentials of the Hurricane offensive and defensive systems, but will take another step.

"It's a program that carries over from one season to the next," Holly said. "The terminology and formations will be exactly the same, so we hope to be able to carry over the lessons we learned last year."

"But it's a system with a lot of flexibility," he said. "As the team gels and creates its own dynamic, we'll adapt to the strengths of our personnel."

'The best defender'

From Canes, 1B

program squad next spring.

"Cami is a consummate athlete, without question the best defender to have played lacrosse at Coral Shores," Hall said.

"To be able to take the ball away from an oppo-

nent, pick it up and go is a remarkable talent," he said. "Nobody's been better at it here than Cami Lopez."

Lopez had 37 forced turnovers as a junior, started on three district championship teams and was a multi-year team captain. She also played soccer and volleyball.

Other lacrosse programs courted her, including Notre Dame College (where sister Vee plays) and Adelphi University. Lozano has verbally

committed to Stetson for 2014. Santiesteban has received an academic scholarship to Stetson and has been invited to try out for the 2013 Lady Hatters team.

Lady Hurricane defender Cami Lopez (front) signs papers last week to attend Stetson University on a lacrosse scholarship. Joining her are parents Gordo and Teri Lopez, with Lady cane coaches John Jarnigan, Cindy Hall and Mark Hall.

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BOOKS

Judy Blume explains the writing process

Key Wester also hits on 'Mad Men,' 'Hunger Games'

McClatchy-Tribune

It's been 40 years since Fudge, the irrepressible, trouble-prone toddler in "Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing," shook the world of children's literature with his sticky hands.

His creator, Judy Blume, is still going strong at 74 with her husband in Key West, working on a new book, a new film and her tap-dancing, all of which she's happy to discuss.

Sounding more like an improv artist or jazz musician than a writer who likes to be in control, she invited questions from a reporter before a recent presentation in Dallas. "I love questions; you always get something different!"

That may be because Blume's fans span generations — from grade-school readers to their parents and grandparents who grew up with her. Tales was one of her earlier works, followed by decades of best-sellers for children and adults.

"I didn't know what I was doing," she says cheerfully of "Tales." "I was so new at it. I couldn't even choose a title. I wanted to call it 'Peter, Fudge and Dribble,' but I couldn't because there was a book called 'Peter Potts' coming out that year."

Blume, a board member of the Key West Literary Seminar, bounces from her favorite television show ("Mad Men") to biking (she loves it) to what she's reading — she and her husband have "never had a car trip go as fast as when we listened to 'The Hunger Games' on an audiobook."

Her strength as a writer is having characters that talk to her, which has been going on since she was 9 years old, she says.

"I never question what I do or try to analyze it. I don't know how it works, but I have faith that it will keep working."

First drafts

As clear and insistent as her characters are, it's still usually hard for her to get the first draft of their story down.

"If someone had the power to grant me a wish, I would say that the first draft would magically appear based on what's in my head. The first draft is like getting the pieces of the puzzle in the box. The next draft is putting them together. And then you get to color them and build a frame and all those fun things."

The one exception? "Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing," which just "spilled out and it came out right the first time," she says. It didn't hurt that the youngest of her two children, Lawrence, was the inspiration for Fudge.

Although she likes to point out: "He wasn't really Larry; I just gave him some of Larry's endearing toddler traits."

Perhaps Blume's most noted book is "Are You There, God? It's Me, Margaret," about a young girl growing up in a mixed-religion marriage and learning about being a woman.

Staying true to her characters has empowered Blume to write truthfully about them, delving into everything from racism to bullying to teen sex and divorce. It also has helped her avoid what she sees as the biggest pitfalls that can befall writers.

Writing dangers

"There are two dangers when you're writing. You cannot allow the censor to sit on your shoulder and you cannot allow the critic to sit on your shoulder. We can all write our own worst reviews. I can do it on anything I've written."



Judy Blume has made Key West her home for years. She continues a long tradition of noted writers getting inspiration in the Southernmost City.

But you don't do that until your books are published. You just do what's right for the characters."

Of course there are some things you can't make up. Like the fact that Fudge, er Larry, has grown up to become a respected film director who has adapted his mom's books.

Blume admits that she and her son clashed on their first effort, "Sheila the Great," which she attributes to her own "lack of experience" with film. But the recently completed "Tiger Eyes," the story of a teen struggling to come to terms with her father's murder, has been inspiring, she says.

By the time they finished with the screenplay and the shooting, she realized for the first time that when she wrote the book back in 1980, she was working through her grief over her father's death of a heart attack when she was 21, just weeks before her first wedding. She has been happily married to her third husband, George Cooper, since 1987.

She doesn't regret not having this epiphany earlier, even though seeing the movie has led her to "cry

my eyes out," she says. "You have to learn along the way. I don't feel any older, I absolutely don't. I may stop when I look in the mirror and say, 'Who is that?' But I'm very happy so far the way things have gone."

NEW ROYALTY



Jennifer Smith, the Key West Pirate Radio candidate for queen of the Conch Republic 2012-13, was crowned queen by Peter Anderson, secretary general of the Conch Republic, April 21 at the Green Parrot Bar. The event featured candidates for queen raising money for the Conch Republic Foster Children's Fund administered by Wesley House Family Services. Smith and her Pirate Radio crew raised more than \$4,300.

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We're both very involved in local business. I am active in the hospitality industry and Bud is active in the real estate market. We've financed several properties with Community Bank and it's been a pleasure every time. It's great to have a relationship with your banker and your lender, but it's even nicer to be able to call the President of the bank and be on a first-name basis. That's how our relationship is at Community Bank, and that's why we feel they are the last of the community banks."

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THE GARDEN

Bring butterflies into your life

Your choices in plantings will attract

Associated Press

For a project that can get your family working and learning together — and also help some beautiful insects — try a backyard butterfly garden.

With just a little planning, you can create an attractive and welcoming habitat for butterflies through the warm weather months, says Rick Mikula, author of “The Family

The choice of nectar-producing plants on which butterflies feed varies by region. But wherever you are, Mikula says, your options don't have to be fancy.

Simple flowers such as varieties of Echinacea, daisies, asters and even some violets can serve as butterfly-friendly snacking spots. Non-invasive milkweeds can be especially appetizing to migrating butterflies without taking over your yard.

“Even one or two plants like that are going to be great because when the



Photo courtesy ASSOCIATED PRESS

Butterfly Book” (Storey Publishing, 2000).

The biggest problem facing butterflies is destruction of habitat, Mikula says. Even if your garden offers just a few butterfly-friendly blooms in pots or containers, it can help the insects' population — and improve the look of your living space.

“Any offering for butterflies in a garden, no matter how small, is like chicken soup for a cold,” he says. “It can't hurt.”

butterflies are moving, there's a place for them to stop,” says Mikula.

You can start your research with books such as Mikula's, or by contacting the Monroe County Cooperative Extension Service.

Online, try www.bugguide.net or www.butterfliesandmoths.org recommends Nathan Brockman, curator of the Christina Reiman Butterfly Wing of Reiman Gardens at Iowa State

VOICES HITS 25



The 2012 board of directors for Voices for Florida Keys Children was installed April 3 at the Islamorada Fishing Club. The group's mission is to establish and maintain an organization to help recruit and retain of Guardian ad Litem - volunteers to speak in court for the interests of children who are abused, abandoned, neglected or otherwise in need of services. This is Voices' 25th year.

University. There are some concessions you may need to make if you plan to entice butterflies into your yard, Brockman says.

One is understanding that caterpillars, the butterflies' offspring, are going to eat host plants, including some herbs and vegetables you may have planned to serve at your own dinner table. Plant extra, and remember you'll be rewarded for the sacrifice when caterpillars turn into fluttering butterflies.

Also, be prepared to give up the use of pesticides on vegetable gardens or lawns. “Don't use any at all if you are truly gardening for butterflies,” Brockman says.

Mikula's tip is to soak tomato leaves overnight in water, then strain and spray the solution onto plants as an effective and organic pesticide that won't harm butterflies.

Butterfly gardening can either be budget-friendly or, Mikula says, it can be like buying a car and getting carried away with all the extras. Don't overlook smaller, less costly nectar-producing flowers that will entice tiny but attractive butterflies, he says.

Brockman suggests choosing plants native to their region. They're most beneficial to the environment and require less maintenance.

Colleen Maiura, a spokeswoman for Lowe's stores, says there are more ways to make a garden hospitable to butterflies besides offering flowers. Butterflies like to bask in the sun, so putting out flat rocks near feeding spots can provide a perfect place for them to rest.

While butterflies can get most of the moisture they need from feeding, many like to gather around puddles and wet

places. You can offer a “puddling station” by simply creating a damp area of ground covered with sand.

“Place stations where butterflies — and you — can easily see them, and where they are sheltered from the wind,” Maiura advises.

Beyond the “sheer joy” you get when finding a butterfly in your garden, Mikula says, butterfly gardening also can teach fam-

ilies about the life cycle of insects, and about caring for plants and their environment.

The best part, he says, is that you will be doing the beautiful insects “a world of good.”

Don't be disappointed, Brockman cautions, if you don't draw a lot of butterflies right away. Keep at it, and try to get neighbors to grow a few plants that will encourage butterfly activity too.

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The Utility Board of Key West recognizes the 13 student winners of Keys Energy Services' Energy Conservation Art Contest at its Wednesday meeting. The winning illustrations will be featured in the utility's 2012-2013 energy-conservation calendar.

MILITARY BRIEFS

• U.S. Marine Corps Pvt. Eric Doerr, son of Michael Doerr of Key West and Christina DePriest of Proctorville, Ohio, has completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. Doerr spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments that included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-

hand combat and assorted weapons training. • U.S. Navy Lt. Mark P. Gander, son-in-law of Susan and Fred Cabanas of Key West, has been awarded the 2011 Aviation Battle Efficiency Award. He's attached to Patrol Squadron 10 in Jacksonville. The award recognizes a unit's training and operational achievements while including a balance that incentivizes efficiency.

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THE TAX COLLECTOR



- Taxes must be paid in certified funds by May 31, 2012 to avoid the tax certificate sale.
- Delinquent taxes will be advertised in the KEY WEST CITIZEN on May 9th, 16th, and 23rd. Tangible taxes will be advertised on the 10th of May. The Internet Tax Sale will be held at 8:30 am on Friday June 1st. The advertised list can be viewed on the web site May 10th @ (www.Bidmonroe.com).
- For those who signed up for the Installment plan, bills will be mailed out on May 31, 2012
- The Tax Collector's offices throughout the Keys will be closed on Monday, May 28th for the Memorial Day holiday.

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CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA

9805 Overseas Highway, Marathon, Florida 33050
Phone: (305) 743-0033

INVITATION TO BID

All interested parties are hereby notified that the City of Marathon is accepting sealed bids for the "GRASSY KEY FIRE STATION #15 PROJECT."

The construction of this project consists of labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the installation of the following:

CONTRACT: (Architects cost of construction estimate: \$1,250,000.00): approximately 5,000 square feet new fire station building and associated site work.

The Project is located in Grassy Key, Florida on US Highway No. 1 (approximately mile marker 59).

Bid documents may be examined at City Hall, 9805 Overseas Highway Marathon, Florida. Bid documents may also be examined online at www.demandstar.com. Bid document sets must be procured through Demandstar.com. All bid documents and addenda will be issued only through Demandstar.com. All bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes to the City Clerk at City of Marathon, 9805 Overseas Highway, Marathon, Florida 33050 on or before May 31st, 2012 at 2:00 PM local time. Any bids received after 2:00 PM on said date will not be accepted.

Bids received after this time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Bids submitted will be opened publicly and read aloud at this time in the City Hall Conference Room located at 9805 Overseas Highway Marathon, Florida on the same date. The City assumes no responsibility for bids not properly marked.

Prospective bidders shall not contact or otherwise communicate with City staff or City officials except as set forth in Section 4.1 of Document 00100, Instructions to Bidders.

Bid Security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the Total Base Bid must accompany the Bid in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

A non-mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held on May 10th, 2012 at 10:00 AM at Marathon Fire Station #14, located at 8900 Overseas Highway Marathon, Florida. The purpose of the Pre-Bid Conference is to discuss the contents of this Invitation to Bid and answer Bidder's inquiries.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities, except timely submission of bids, in any bids received, to re-advertise for bids or to take any other such actions that may be deemed in the best interests of the City. As a matter of information to bidders, the City does not bind itself to accept the minimum specifications stated herein, but reserves the right to accept any bid, which in the judgment of the City Council will best serve the needs and interests of the City.

Bid documents obtained from any source other than Demandstar may not be accurate or complete, and each bidder and subcontractor assumes all risks by its reliance on such documents. Any bidder and subcontractor who have not obtained bid documents from Demandstar will not be notified or any addenda issued by the owner, which could contain material changes thereto (such as additions or changes to the technical specifications, extensions of time, etc.) Published Keynoter 5/2/12 & 5/9/12



CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA

9805 Overseas Highway, Marathon, Florida 33050
Phone: (305) 743-0033

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

All interested parties are hereby notified that the City of Marathon is accepting sealed proposals for the "City of Marathon Splash Park at the Community Park."

The construction of this project consists of the design, labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the installation of the Splash Park, (design for fencing, landscaping and bathroom to be included but not part of costs) as Phase I of the project. The project is located at the City of Marathon Community Park, Marathon, Florida.

RFP documents may be examined at City Hall, 9805 Overseas Highway Marathon, Florida. RFP documents may also be examined online at www.demandstar.com. RFP document sets must be procured through DemandStar.com. All RFP documents and addenda will be issued only through Demandstar.com. All proposals must be submitted in sealed envelopes to the City Clerk at the City of Marathon, 9805 Overseas Highway, Marathon, FL 33050 on or before May 31, 2012 at 2:00PM local time. Any proposals received after 2:30 PM on said date will not be accepted. The City assumes no responsibility for proposals not properly marked.

Prospective proposers shall not contact or otherwise communicate with City staff or City officials except as set forth in Section 4.1 of Document 00100, Instructions to Proposers. All questions should be directed to Susie Thomas 305-289-4103 - thomass@ci.marathon.fl.us

Proposal Security in the amount of one percent (5%) of the Total Base Price Proposal must accompany the Proposal in accordance with the Instructions to Proposers.

A non-mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference will be held on May 17, 2011 at 10:00AM at the Marathon Fire Station #14, located at 8900 Overseas Highway Marathon, Florida. The purpose of the Pre-Proposal Conference is to discuss the contents of this Request for Proposals and Proposer's inquiries, in addition the opportunity to conduct a site visit will be made available which is **strongly** recommended.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals to waive informalities, except timely submission of proposals, in any proposals received, to re-advertise for proposals or to take any other such actions that may be deemed in the best interests of the City. As a matter of information to Proposers, the City does not bind itself to accept the minimum specifications stated herein, but reserves the right to accept any proposal, which in the judgment of the City Council will best serve the needs and interests of the City.

RFP DOCUMENTS OBTAINED FROM ANY SOURCE OTHER THAN DEMANDSTAR MAY NOT BE ACCURATE OR COMPLETE, AND EACH PROPOSER AND SUBCONTRACTOR ASSUMES ALL RISKS BY ITS RELIANCE ON SUCH DOCUMENTS. ANY PROPOSER AND SUBCONTRACTOR WHO HAVE NOT OBTAINED BID DOCUMENTS FROM DEMANDSTAR WILL NOT BE NOTIFIED OF ANY ADDENDA ISSUES BY THE OWNER, WHICH COULD CONTAIN MATERIAL CHANGES THERETO (SUCH AS ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS, EXTENSIONS OF TIME, ETC.) WHICH MAY RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION. The City of Marathon

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
KEY WEST DIVISION

"IN ADMIRALTY"

CASE NO. 12-10025-CIV-MOORE/TORRES

In the matter of the Complaint of Michael Sander, as owner of a 2006 21' Fast Cat motor vessel, bearing Hull Identification No. FKQC2051E606, for Exoneration from or Limitation of Liability

Petitioner.

NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS OF COMPLAINT FOR EXONERATION FROM OR LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Notice is given that the above named Petitioner has filed a Complaint, pursuant to 46 U.S.C. Sec. 30501 et seq., for exoneration from or limitation of liability for all claims for any damages or injuries, arising out of or occurring as a result of a collision in the navigable waters near Key West, Florida with a 1997 25' center console-style open motorboat, bearing Hull Identification Number OSB00290H697 on or about May 8, 2011, as more fully described in the Complaint.

All persons having such claims must file their respective claims, as provided in Supplemental Rule F of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, with the Clerk of this Court at the **United States Courthouse, 301 Simonton Street, Key West, Florida** and must serve a copy thereof on attorneys for Petitioner on or before the **28th day of May, 2012** or be defaulted.

If any claimant desires to contest either the right to Exoneration From or the right to Limitation of Liability he shall file and serve on the attorneys for Petitioner an answer to the Complaint on or before the aforesaid date unless his claim has included an answer, so designated, or be defaulted.

DATED this 18th day of April, 2012.

Steven M. Larimore
Clerk of Court

Crystal Barnes-Butler
Deputy Clerk

cc: Richard J. McAlpin, Esq.
Craig P. Liszt, Esq.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No.: 2011-DR-921-K
Division: Family

Connie Rogers,

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Petitioner and **Bernard Rogers,** Respondent.

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: Bernard Rogers
3916 East Genessee
Tampa, FL 33610

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on **Stephen Isherwood, attorney for petitioner,** whose address is **c/o 3930 South Roosevelt Blvd., 106N, Key West, FL 33040** on or before **June 4, 2012,** and file the original with the clerk of this Court at **500 Whitehead St., Key West, FL 33040** before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

The action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided: NONE

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: April 26, 2012.

DANNY L. KOLHAGE
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Marislay Lopez
Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 09-CA-09-P

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE OF SERIES 2007 GEL1 Plaintiff,

vs.

CARMEN ITURRALDE, et al Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion To Cancel And Reschedule Foreclosure Sale dated April 18, 2012, and entered in Case No. **09-CA-09-P of the Circuit Court**

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of the SIXTEENTH Judicial Circuit in and for MONROE COUNTY, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE OF SERIES 2007 GEL1, is Plaintiff, and CARMEN ITURRALDE, et al are Defendants, the Clerk will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, beginning at 11:00 AM at 500 Whitehead Street, Key West, FL in accordance with Chapter 45, Florida Statutes, on the 24th day of May, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to wit:

UNIT V7, EXECUTIVE BAY CLUB CONDOMINIUM, ACCORDING TO DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM FILED OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 806, PAGE 1066, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

and all fixtures and personal property located therein or thereon, which are included as security in Plaintiff's mortgage.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus funds from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated at Key West, MONROE COUNTY, Florida, this 23 day of April, 2012.

Danny L. Kolhage
Clerk of said Circuit Court

By: M. Arguez
As Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Cheryl Alfonso, 302 Fleming Street, Key West, Florida, 33040, (305) 292-3423, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven (7) days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE OF SERIES 2007 GEL1 c/o Phelan Hallinan PLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 888 SE 3rd Avenue, Suite 201 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316 954-462-7000

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INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS that the Monroe County School District will receive bids for the following:

RFP NO. 507
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